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Artists of Abraham Lincoln portraits

C. Johnson

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LINCOLN NATIONAL
MAIL DEPARTMENT
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Answered
LIFE INSURANCE CO.

527 E. Main St.
Greenville, Ohio
May 9th. 33

The Lincoln National Life Ins. Co.
Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Gentlemen.

The writer of this letter is writing same on behalf of Mr. C. Johnson a talented artist of this City.

About four months ago Mr. Johnson at the request of several citizens of this City painted a likeness in oil of President Lincoln life size head and shoulders and placed same on exhibition at our Post Office and same has been admired and complimented from men of every standing a real work of art.

I would appreciate very much your consideration of this appeal and a reply if in any way interested and if you care to write to Mr Coppers I would rather you with held the writers name.

Yours truly

L. Martin

It now occurs to the writer that this same picture would be some-thing worth while for a special place in your office at Ft. Wayne.

Of course very few artists have money and would suggest that you make an offer for this picture and I feel that it would be well worth the price you would pay for it for information relative to this work of Art ask your Agent Mr. Coppess here who as not only seen this masterpiece but personally acquainted with Mr Johnson and can vouch for this piece of work.

Johnson C.

May 16, 1933

Mr. P. Martin
527 E. Main Street
Greenville, Ohio

My dear Mr. Martin:

It is very kind of you indeed to call attention to the painting which is available at Greenville but our appropriation for such items just now is such that we would not be able to acquire any further reproductions of Lincoln in oil.

We are very glad to have information about this painting and if an opportunity presents itself I will be very glad to call to see it personally, although I am quite sure we would not be interested in its purchase.

Very sincerely yours,

Director
LAW:LH Lincoln Historical Research Foundation

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527 E. Maine St.
Greenville, Ohio.
May 18th, 33

Mr. Louis A. Warren (Director)
Lincoln Historical Research Foundation
Fort Wayne, Indiana

Dear Mr. Warren

Received your letter under date of May 16th relative to the Lincoln painting in oil and very sorry to know that the Foundation are not in the position at this time to acquire this work of Art.

For your information I am enclosing the compliments of Mr. Raymond B. Tolbert who on seeing this same painting voluntarily submitted his praise in this same picture

My reason for mailing you this gentlemens letter is naturally to create more of a desire on your part to see this picture and perhaps you would be influential in procuring a purchaser for this same picture

Naturally Mr. Tolberts letter is regarded as quite a compliment to Mr. Johnson's art and I would appreciate very very much the courtesy of your returning same after it has done its purpose

Yours truly
D. Martin

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May 19, 1933

Mr. P. Martin
527 E. Main Street
Greenville, Ohio

My dear Mr. Martin:

Thank you very much for forwarding further information about the painting at Greenville by Mr. Johnson and I have made note of the contents of the letter written to him by Mr. Tolbert.

You may be sure if at any time I am passing near Greenville I will make it a point to call upon you and see the picture.

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Director
Lincoln Historical Research Foundation

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Enc.

May 19, 1922

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